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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors

Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Faye D. Cates, MSSW, Human Services Program Coordinator

DATE: October 26, 2004

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES HOUSING SURVEY 2004

Presidential Candidates Express Views on Housing

The Campaign for Housing and Community Development Funding recently polled both presidential campaigns on eight issues related to federal housing and community development policy. Please click on the link below to view their answers.

The Virginia Housing Coalition (VHC) provided this link and the organization urges all VHC members to educate themselves and their communities on these issues.

The Campaign for Housing and Community Development Funding is a national umbrella organization representing over 100 groups. The Campaign works to educate and advocate for adequate federal resources for housing and community development needs.



Click here to download a .pdf of the candidates answers

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FROM: Ellen M. Nau, Human Services Program Coordinator

DATE: October 26, 2004

SUBJECT: National Family Caregiver Month – November, 2004

Area Agencies on Aging in Virginia are planning to recognize the Commonwealth's Caregivers in a variety of activities. Listed below is information received by VDA on various events. If your agency is planning an activity or event for National Family Caregiver Month, please contact Ellen Nau at VDA with this information. Ellen.Nau@vda.virginia.gov or 804-662-9340. Thank you!

PSA 1 Mountain Older Citizens, Inc.

15th Annual Alzheimer's and Caregiving Seminar November 12, 2004 8:15 A.M. until 3:15 P.M. at New Hope Assembly of God Big Stone Gap, VA Contact: Julia Trivett Dillon 276-523-4204 Ext. 416 Registration required.

PSA 4 New River Valley Agency on Aging

Domestic Abuse Among Older Adults (Domestic violence, elder/adult abuse, caregiver stress lecture and discussion)

November 16, 2004 8:30 A.M. until 3:30 P.M. at Heth Hall, Radford University Radford, VA Contact: Tina King 540-980-7720 Registration required.

PSA 5 League of Older Americans – Area Agency on Aging

Distribution of "goody" bags to clients who have caregivers. Bags contain such items as small flashlights, lotion, pill boxes etc.

Contact: Norma McCroskey 540-345-0451

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PSA 8A Alexandria Office of Aging and Adult Services

Alexandria Adult Day Services Center has planned an event to honor caregivers for their clients. The center will host a Caregiver Appreciation Program on Thursday November 11, 2004 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. A speech on crimes and scams against older citizens by victim services specialist and a video on Alzheimer's disease are among the activities scheduled at this event.

Also, the Alexandria Aging and Adult Services will be publicizing the activities of PSA 8B and PSA 8C through an article in the Alexandria Gazette Packette and by distributing information on these activities to Alexandria caregivers.

PSA 8B Arlington Agency on Aging

PSA 8B will hold an <u>Ask the Expert</u> Session on November 16 to update caregivers on changes in the Medicare program.

PSA 8C Fairfax Area Agency on Aging

2nd Annual *Give Care*, *Take Care* Seminar

November 18, 2004 9:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. at Springfield Golf and Country Club 8301 Old Keene Mill Road Springfield, Virginia

Contact: Beth Hershner 703-324-5425

Registration required.

PSA 8E Prince William Area Agency on Aging

Prince William is planning publicity for its caregiver support groups as well as a letter to the editor of the newspaper concerning National Family Caregiver Month.

PSA 9 Rappahanock-Rapidan Community Services Board

PSA 9 completed a Two Month Session of free classes titled "Caregiver Education" and assumed leadership of 28 Member Eldercare Coalition serving five rural counties in north central Virginia. The Coalition has applied for planning grant from Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to raise awareness in counties about current and future issues related to aging of local population.

Contact: Sallie Morgan 540-825-3100

PSA 10 Jefferson Area Board on Aging

November 8 at 12:30 p.m.

Dementia and Depression Understanding & Support

Nelson County Senior Center

No fee

November 9 from 12-4 p.m. (must call for appointment 434-982-7009)

Memory Screening Clinic

Health Wise House at Martha Jefferson Hospital from 12-4 p.m.

Understanding Depression and Alzheimer's Esmont Senior Center Presented by Cathryn Hoyle, RN. No November 11 at 10:30 a.m. fee

November 12, 2004 11:00 - 12 noon Is it Alzheimer's? (An overview of AD, related disorders, and warning signs) Alzheimer's Association Central and Western VA Chapter JABA's Mary Williams Sr. Center, Charlottesville, VA No charge

November 13, 2004 Diabetes Fair Outpatient Care Center, Martha Jefferson Hospital Free, no registration

November 15, 2004 2:00 - 4:00 Everything You Wanted to Know About Caregiving But Were Afraid To Ask Alzheimer's Association Central and Western VA Chapter North side Library, Charlottesville, VA No charge

November 15, 2004 at 12:30 p.m. Understanding Alzheimer's Nelson County Senior Center No charge

November 18, 2004 8:00 - 4:00
Clinical Aspects of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders; Paul Nussbaum, PhD;
Clinical neuropsychologist
Alzheimer's Association Central and Western VA Chapter
Double Tree Hotel and Conference Center
\$139.00 pre registration
\$159.00 at the door

PSA 12 Southern Area Agency on Aging

Recognition for Agency In-Home Workers November 16, 2004 11:30 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. Contact: Carolyn Scales 276-632-6442

PSA 14 Piedmont Area Agency on Aging

Darlene Hartley of Daily Bread, the contractor for Piedmont's Home Delivered Meals, Is sending a letter of thanks and appreciation to all the Caregivers of the agency's Title III E Home Delivered Meals clients in November.

PSA 15 Planning and Retreat Luncheon for Professional Caregivers associated with the agency's regional caregiver coalition. A caregiver will be interviewed on WZEZ radio station during drive-time on some date in November.

Contact: Gale Davis 804-343-3000

PSA 17/18 Bay Aging

Nov. 11 – Caregivers Day Out

Nov. 22 & 23 -- Annual Thanksgiving Feasts at Gloucester and Essex Adult Day Care Centers(all caregivers invited)

PSA 21 Peninsula Agency on Aging

The agency's new Caregiver Newsletter will note National Family Caregiver Month and the monthly caregiver support group will mark National Family Caregiver Month With special refreshments in addition to gifts and cards for the caregivers.

PSA 22 Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging Community Action Agency, Inc. The agency is planning a series of newspaper articles on caregiving to be published during the month of November.